

September 14, 2015

Stoneham Town Hall Conference Room

7:00 P.M

Members in attendance: John Bracciotti, Scott LeBeau, Stephen Quattrocchi, Patricia Walsh

Absent: Richard Mangerian

Meeting of the Stoneham Water and Sewer Review Board was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman LeBeau.

All present approved the minutes of the previous meeting.

This meeting was held for the purpose of discussing the proposed warrant article for the October 22, 2015 special town meeting. This article asked to see if the town would vote to amend the duties of the Water and Sewer Review Board by deleting from Article 6 of the October, 1997 Special Town Meeting the following:

*Hear water and sewer billing disputes; said board will render to any petitioner a binding decision as to the remedies, if any, in the dispute.*

and replacing it with

*Hear water and sewer bill disputes; said board will make a recommendation to the Town Administrator as to the remedies, if any, and the Town Administrator shall make a binding decision.*

and further amend the same article by deleting

*Hold an annual public hearing at least seven (7) days prior to the annual town meeting to receive citizen input on the current year, the proposed budget and the rates for the next fiscal year and any other information as may be requested concerning the water and sewer departments.*

and replacing it with

*Hold at least one annual public hearing by March 31, and more if necessary, to receive citizen input on the current year, the proposed budget, and rates for the next fiscal year and any other information as may be requested concerning the water and sewer departments. Said meeting shall be advertised in a local newspaper to give citizens ample notice. Said boards shall make rate recommendations to the Town Administrator prior to annual Town Meeting.*

The corrected language reflects the fact that the Water and Sewer Review Board conducts hearings and acts as an advisory board. As such, there are limits on action that can be taken.

Members present were in agreement with replacing the language as stated. Steve Quattrocchi made a motion to accept the amended article. All members present were in favor.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve Quattrocchi. Patricia Walsh seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully,

John Bracciotti, Secretary